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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

In re:)	Chapter 11
BCBG MAX AZRIA GLOBAL HOLDINGS, LLC, et al., 1		Case No. 17-10466 ()
Debtors.)))	(Joint Administration Requested)

DEBTORS' MOTION FOR ENTRY OF AN ORDER (I) EXTENDING TIME TO FILE SCHEDULES OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, SCHEDULES OF CURRENT INCOME AND EXPENDITURES, SCHEDULES OF EXECUTORY CONTRACTS AND UNEXPIRED LEASES, STATEMENTS OF FINANCIAL AFFAIRS, AND RULE 2015.3 FINANCIAL REPORTS, AND (II) GRANTING RELATED RELIEF

BCBG Max Azria Global Holdings, LLC and its debtor affiliates, as debtors and debtors in possession in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (collectively, the "<u>Debtors</u>"),² respectfully state the following in support of this motion:

The Debtors in these chapter 11 cases, along with the last four digits of each Debtor's federal tax identification number, include: BCBG Max Azria Global Holdings, LLC (6857); BCBG Max Azria Group, LLC (5942); BCBG Max Azria Intermediate Holdings, LLC (3673); Max Rave, LLC (9200); and MLA Multibrand Holdings, LLC (3854). The location of the Debtors' service address is: 2761 Fruitland Avenue, Vernon, California 90058.

A detailed description of the Debtors and their businesses, and the facts and circumstances supporting this motion and the Debtors' chapter 11 cases, are set forth in greater detail in the *Declaration of Holly Felder Etlin, Chief Restructuring Officer of BCBG Max Azria Global Holdings, LLC, (I) in Support of Chapter 11 Petitions and First Day Motions and (II) Pursuant to Local Bankruptcy Rule 1007-2* (the "First Day Declaration"), filed contemporaneously with the Debtors' voluntary petitions for relief filed under chapter 11 of title 11 of the United States Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 101–1532 (the "Bankruptcy Code"), on February 28, 2017 (the "Petition Date").

Relief Requested

1. By this motion, the Debtors seek entry of an order substantially in the form attached hereto as **Exhibit A** (the "Order"): (a) extending the deadline by which the Debtors must file their schedules of assets and liabilities, schedules of current income and expenditures, schedules of executory contracts and unexpired leases, and statements of financial affairs (collectively, the "Schedules and Statements") by 30 days, for a total of 44 days from the Petition Date, without prejudice to the Debtors' ability to request additional extensions; (b) extending the deadline by which the Debtors must file their initial reports of financial information with respect to entities in which the Debtors hold a controlling or substantial interest as set forth in Federal Rule of Bankruptcy Procedure 2015.3 (the "2015.3 Reports") to the later of: (i) 30 days after the meeting of creditors to be held pursuant to section 341 of the Bankruptcy Code (the "341 Meeting") or (ii) 44 days from the Petition Date, or to file a motion with the Court seeking a modification of such reporting requirements for cause, without prejudice to the Debtors' ability to request additional extensions; and (c) granting related relief.

Jurisdiction and Venue

- 2. The United States Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of New York (the "Court") has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the Amended Standing Order of Reference from the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, dated January 31, 2012. The Debtors confirm their consent, pursuant to rule 7008 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the "Bankruptcy Rules"), to the entry of a final order by the Court in connection with this motion to the extent that it is later determined that the Court, absent consent of the parties, cannot enter final orders or judgments in connection herewith consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution.
 - 3. Venue is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409.

4. The bases for the relief requested herein are sections 105(a) of The Bankruptcy Code, Bankruptcy Rules 1007, 2015.3(d), and 9006, and Rule 9013-1(a) of the Local Bankruptcy Rules for the Southern District of New York (the "Local Rules").

Basis for Relief

I. Cause Exists To Extend the Time To File the Schedules and Statements.

- 5. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rules 1007(c) and 9006(b), the Court has authority to extend the time required for filing of the Schedules and Statements "for cause." *See* Fed. R. Bankr. P. 1007(c) and 9006(b). The Debtors submit that ample cause exists to grant the relief requested herein. To prepare their Schedules and Statements, the Debtors will have to compile information from books, records, and documents relating to thousands of claims, assets, and contracts from each Debtor entity. Accordingly, collection of the necessary information will require a significant expenditure of time and effort on the part of the Debtors and their employees. Additionally, because numerous invoices related to prepetition goods and services have not yet been received and entered into the Debtors' accounting system, it may be some time before the Debtors have access to all of the information required to prepare the Schedules and Statements.
- 6. Given the size and complexity of the Debtors' businesses and financial affairs, and the critical matters that the Debtors' management and professionals were required to address prior to the commencement of these chapter 11 cases, the Debtors were not in a position to complete the Schedules and Statements as of the Petition Date.
- 7. In the days leading up to the Petition Date, the Debtors' primary focus has been preparing for these chapter 11 cases. Focusing the attention of key personnel on critical operational and chapter 11 compliance issues during the early days of these chapter 11 cases will

facilitate the Debtors' smooth transition into chapter 11, thereby maximizing value for their estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest.

- 8. Moreover, an extension will not harm creditors or other parties in interest because, even under the extended deadline, the Debtors will file the Schedules and Statements in advance of any deadline for filing proofs of claim in these chapter 11 cases.
- 9. As explained above, the Debtors' business operations are complex and vast, and preparing the Schedules and Statements accurately and in appropriate detail will require significant attention from the Debtors' personnel and the Debtors' advisors. Engaging in such preparation immediately before or after the commencement of these chapter 11 cases would distract such personnel and advisors from the Debtors' business operations at a critical juncture. Accordingly, the Debtors submit that a 30-day extension of time to file the Schedules and Statements, without prejudice to their ability to request additional extensions, is appropriate and warranted under the circumstances.
- 10. Courts in this district regularly have found "cause" to extend the deadline for filing schedules and statements in chapter 11 cases for a duration much longer than the Debtors seek, especially when the case involves business operations of comparable size, complexity, and geographic scope. *See, e.g., In re Avaya Inc.*, No. 17-10089 (SMB) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Feb. 10, 2017) (granting debtors 61-day extension from the petition date); *In re MPM Silicones LLC*, No. 14-22503 (RDD) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Apr. 15, 2014) (granting debtors with approximately \$2.8 billion secured debt burden 46-day extension for a total of 60 days from the petition date); *In re Hawker Beechcraft, Inc.*, No. 12-11873 (SMB) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. May 4, 2012) (granting debtors with approximately \$1.7 billion secured debt burden 30-day extension for a total of 44 days from the petition date); *In re Quebecor World (USA), Inc.*, No. 08-10152 (JMP) (Bankr.

S.D.N.Y. Mar. 20, 2008) (granting debtors 90-day extension from the petition date); *In re Bally Total Fitness of Greater N.Y., Inc.*, No. 07-12395 (BRL) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Aug. 1, 2007) (granting debtors 75-day extension from the petition date); *In re Calpine Corp.*, No. 05-60200 (BRL) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Dec. 21, 2005) (granting debtors 60-day and 45-day extensions for a total of 120 days from the petition date).³

II. Cause Exists To Extend the Time To File the 2015.3 Reports.

- 11. Pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2015.3, a chapter 11 debtor must file, no later than seven days before the date set for the 341 Meeting and no less than every six months thereafter, periodic financial reports of the value, operations, and profitability of each entity that is not a publicly traded corporation or a debtor in the chapter 11 cases, and in which the estate holds a substantial or controlling interest. *See* Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2015.3(a)–(c). Bankruptcy Rule 9006(b)(1) provides the Court with authority to extend the period of time to file the 2015.3 Reports "for cause." Additionally, Bankruptcy Rule 2015.3(d) provides the Court with the ability, after notice and a hearing, to modify the reporting requirements for cause, including that the debtor is "not able, after a good faith effort, to comply with those reporting requirements, or that the information . . . is publicly available." *See* Fed. R. Bankr. P. 2015.3(d).
- 12. The Debtors directly and indirectly own non-debtor subsidiaries that are subject to Bankruptcy Rule 2015.3 and, as such, they are required to file 2015.3 Reports. Cause exists to extend the deadline for filing the 2015.3 Reports as requested herein based on: (a) the size, complexity, and geographic scope of the Debtors' businesses; and (b) the substantial burdens imposed by complying with Bankruptcy Rule 2015.3 in the early days of these chapter 11 cases.

Because of the voluminous nature of the orders cited herein, such orders have not been attached to this motion. Copies of these orders are available upon request of the Debtors' proposed counsel.

The Debtors are not in a position to complete the initial 2015.3 Reports within the time required under Bankruptcy Rule 2015.3.

- Debtors to work with their financial advisors and the U.S. Trustee to determine the appropriate nature and scope of the reports and any proposed modifications to the reporting requirements established by Bankruptcy Rule 2015.3. Accordingly, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court grant an extension of the time by which the Debtors must file their initial 2015.3 Reports to the later of (a) 30 days after the 341 Meeting or (b) 44 days from the Petition Date pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2015.3(d).
- 14. The relief requested herein will not prejudice any party in interest. The Debtors intend to work cooperatively with the U.S. Trustee and any other necessary parties in these chapter 11 cases to provide access to relevant information regarding the business and financial affairs of the Debtors and their non-debtor subsidiaries.
- 15. Courts in this district regularly have found "cause" to extend the deadline for filing 2015.3 Reports in chapter 11 cases of comparable size, complexity, and geographic scope. See, e.g., In re Avaya Inc., No. 17-10089 (SMB) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Feb. 10, 2017) (granting debtors the later of 30 days after the 341 Meeting or 61 days after the petition date to file their initial 2015.3 Reports); In re Int'l Shipholding Corp., No. 16-12220 (SMB) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Aug. 10, 2016) (granting debtors 45 days after the 341 Meeting to file their initial 2015.3 Reports); In re Breitburn Energy Partners LP, No. 16-11390 (SMB) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. May 17, 2016) (granting debtors 30 days after the 341 Meeting to file their initial 2015.3 Reports); In re NII Holdings, Inc., No. 14-12611 (SCC) (Bankr. S.D.N.Y. Sept. 16, 2016) (granting debtors 30 days after the 341 Meeting to file their initial 2015.3 Reports).

Motion Practice

16. This motion includes citations to the applicable rules and statutory authorities upon which the relief requested herein is predicated and includes a discussion of their application to this motion. Accordingly, the Debtors submit that this motion satisfies Local Rule 9013-1(a).

Notice

17. The Debtors will provide notice of this motion to: (a) the Office of the United States Trustee for the Southern District of New York; (b) the holders of the 50 largest unsecured claims against the Debtors (on a consolidated basis); (c) counsel to the agent under the Debtors' proposed asset-based lending revolving debtor-in-possession credit facility and the Debtors' prepetition asset-based lending revolving credit facility lenders; (d) counsel to the administrative agent under the Debtors' proposed debtor-in-possession term loan credit facility and the Debtors' prepetition tranche B term loan lenders; (e) counsel to the Debtors' prepetition tranche A term loan lenders; (f) counsel to the Debtors' prepetition new tranche A term loan lenders; (g) holders of BCBG Max Azria Global Holdings, LLC common units; (h) holders of BCBG Max Azria Global Holdings, LLC preferred units; (i) the United States Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York; (j) the Internal Revenue Service; (k) the Environmental Protection Agency; (1) the office of the attorneys general for the states in which the Debtors operate; (m) the Securities and Exchange Commission; and (n) any party that has requested notice pursuant to Bankruptcy Rule 2002. The Debtors submit that, in light of the nature of the relief requested, no other or further notice need be given.

No Prior Request

18. No prior request for the relief sought in this motion has been made to this or any other court.

WHEREFORE, the Debtors respectfully request that the Court enter the Order granting the relief requested herein and such other relief as the Court deems appropriate under the circumstances.

Dated: March 1, 2017 /s/ Joshua A. Sussberg

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EXHIBIT A

Proposed Order

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Upon the motion (the "Motion")² of the above-captioned debtors and debtors in possession (collectively, the "Debtors") for entry of an order (this "Order"): (a) extending the time period to file their Schedules and Statements; (b) extending the time period to file their 2015.3 Reports; and (c) granting related relief, all as more fully set forth in the Motion; and this Court having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334 and the Amended Standing Order of Reference from the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, dated January 31, 2012; and that this Court may enter a final order consistent with Article III of the United States Constitution; and this Court having found that venue of this proceeding and the Motion in this district is proper pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1408 and 1409; and this Court having found that the relief requested in the Motion is in the best

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² Capitalized terms used but not otherwise defined herein have the meanings ascribed to them in the Motion.

interests of the Debtors' estates, their creditors, and other parties in interest; and this Court having found that the Debtors provided appropriate notice of the Motion and the opportunity for a hearing under the circumstances; and this Court having reviewed the Motion and having heard the statements in support of the relief requested therein at a hearing before this Court (the "Hearing"); and this Court having determined that the legal and factual bases set forth in the Motion and at the Hearing establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and upon all of the proceedings had before this Court; and after due deliberation and sufficient cause appearing therefor, it is HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Motion is granted as set forth herein.
- 2. The time within which the Debtors must file the Schedules and Statements is extended for an additional 30 days (for a total of 44 days after the Petition Date), without prejudice to the Debtors' right to seek additional extensions.
- 3. The time within which the Debtors must file the 2015.3 Reports is extended to the later of (a) 30 days after the 341 Meeting or (b) 44 days from the Petition Date, or to file a motion with the Court seeking a modification of such reporting requirements for cause, without prejudice to the Debtors' right to seek additional extensions.
- 4. All time periods set forth in this Order shall be calculated in accordance with Bankruptcy Rule 9006(a).
- 5. The Debtors are authorized to take all actions necessary to effectuate the relief granted in this Order in accordance with the Motion.

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6.	This Court retains exclusive ju	urisdiction with respect to all matters arising from or	
related to the implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of this Order.			
New York, Ne	ew York		
Dated:	, 2017		
		UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY JUDGE	